Rev. John Scanlon, Former Curate at Area Churches

WILBRAHAM — The Rev. John J. Scanlon, 66, former curate at Roman Catholic churches in Williamstown, Huntington and Chester and former administrator in Housatonic, died Sunday at New England Baptist Hospital, Boston. He was pastor of St. Cecelia’s Church here at the time of his death.

Friends may call at the church social center here until tomorrow at 2, when the body will be moved to the church. There it will lie in state until Wednesday at 10, when a pontifical High Mass of Requiem will be celebrated by the Most Rev. Christopher J. Weldon, bishop of Springfield. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, Holyoke.

Born in Holyoke July 8, 1900, Father Scanlon was a Navy veteran of World War I. He graduated from Holy Cross College and St. Mary’s Seminary, Baltimore, Md., and was ordained in 1927.

He leaves a brother, Dr. Edward Scanlon, retired president of Westfield State College, and two sisters, Sister St. Gregory of the Sisters of St. Joseph, St. Mary’s Convent, Northampton, and Mrs. Anna Wirtala of Wilbraham.

There will be a fund established in his memory at the Wilbraham branch of the Ludlow Savings Bank.